

A Letter from Bellevue.

Some time ago I spoke of being favorably impressed with "Swinton's Condensed U. S. History." Having carefully examined it, and compared it with several others, I beg leave to very strongly reaffirm the favorable opinion already expressed. The author is a man of excellent judgment, which grasps well the salient points in our national record. I would also speak in approval of "Robbins' Outline of General History." These works are of very convenient size and very readable.

At present we are laboring under a violent irruption of machines to bind grain, so that the time is near to come when the Granger of Bellevue will rest himself in harvest under the "shade of a wide-spreading mullen stalk" and, having a cheap boy to fan him, will eat his bread in the sweat on the brow of a pot-metal machine. There are six binders ready for action within one mile of me. With the influx of the machines a few traditions of the elders have come in regard to their prowess. Among the rest is an account of a case where a team ran away. The driver was thrown from his seat but the machine kept on cutting and tying at a fearful rate until the twine was exhausted, when the machine switched the team off into a patch of leathewood, where it mowed the bushes off clean, peeled the bark, and carefully tied up the brush into neat bundles. It is alleged that this took place in Reynolds county, and the necessary affidavits in support of the statement were burnt with the other records. But joking aside, I fear that the binding machine is very complicated, and so liable to get out of order; and so heavy as to be swamped in soft ground. But when we look at the present machine as merely the rough model of a new and valuable idea, we can safely rest assured that the thing will never be allowed to rest until it has been greatly simplified and so made completely available.

The outlook in foreign countries is becoming badly mixed up. The rapidly increasing bodily infirmities, and, I fear, the mental aberration, of Queen Victoria, connected with the coming conflict between the traditions of the British Empire and the advanced thought of the world, make the situation one of terrible interest. Ever since the Government of England ceased to be a despotism limited by assassination, six rulers have always measured out one dynasty. Victoria is the sixth of her house on the throne. Great importance is attached to the utterances of the Pope in regard to Ireland. The Pope governs according to the traditions of the Papacy; and read in the light of those traditions, the utterances of His Holiness may mean anything, everything or nothing, just as he chooses to carry them out, and will leave him free to act according to circumstances. It appears that the Irish Nationalists are talking of blowing up the Welland Canal. If they hinder for one day the bulk of the foreign commerce of our lake cities which passes through that canal, they will be sorry for it.

At home each political party is busy showing that the other is utterly corrupt, and does not have a man for a Presidential candidate next year who is worth anything. Both are correct. The late war prepared the way for governing the country as a unit instead of by sections, and new issues will demand new men. The key to the future is the payment of the national debt, which will revolutionize our political economy.

For some time my attention has been divided between the school room and the carpenter shop; but I must not forget a very pleasant episode. Sometime ago Mr. J. W. Holloman was at Dr. McKinney's, and by invitation I heard Mr. David McKinney use the violin and Mr. Holloman play the accompaniment on the piano. The result was an excellent selection of music, well rendered, and causing an evening to pass very pleasantly.

So far as known to me there are no cases of sickness in our section; but the Grangers are swearing until everything is blue over being called to Ironton in the throng of harvest. Downs would far badly in the hands of such a jury. It is an outrage to drag men from their harvest fields, without compensation, to spend perhaps a week or two trying such a fellow. The parties who fixed on the time for court are receiving a liberal share of left-handed blessings, also. It is no wonder criminals are lynched. T. C.

How the People Can Get Even.

"Not guilty," say the jury.  
Not guilty of what?  
Of a conspiracy to defraud the Government.  
Bah! Where was the need of a conspiracy when Brady could say to Dorsey, "Let me have \$20,000," and could say to Valle or Peck, "Let me have \$10,000?" The money was handed over immediately and no questions asked. They all understood each other.  
How was Indiana carried in 1880?  
By money.  
How much?  
Over \$250,000.  
Where did it come from?  
The Star route gang.  
Where did they get it?  
Stole it out of the national Treasury.  
How did it get into the Treasury?  
Collected by taxation of the people and placed there to pay the legitimate expenses of the Government.  
Then the people were robbed?  
They were.  
Will any of the stolen money be recovered?  
Not one dollar.  
But won't the thieves be punished?  
No; a jury say they are "not guilty."  
How are the people to get even?  
By smashing the Republican machine next year and placing honest men in office.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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Sack Race, over 12-inch hurdles, 200 yards, 3 and 2  
Hurdle Race, 200 yards, 3 and 2  
Boys' Race, 200 yards, \$3, \$1 and 50 cents  
Young Ladies' Race, 200 yards, \$3 and \$1  
Wheelbarrow Race, 200 yards, 3 and 2  
Standing Jump, no weights, 2 and 1  
One Hour Go-as-you-Please, \$5, 3 and 2  
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Notice to Road Overseers.

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.  
IRON COUNTY, MO., June 22, 1883.  
Road Overseers will please note the following:  
Overseers will be allowed \$2.00 per day for their services since June 1st, 1883, and \$1.50 per day for all the services rendered prior to that time.

Road Overseers are not allowed to pay more than \$2.00 per day for team and driver. Road Overseers are requested and required by law to erect and keep at the forks or cross roads in their district, a finger-board with a legible inscription thereon, directing the way and noting the distance to the next important place on the road. Overseers will prosecute all persons for destroying or defacing any such finger-boards in their districts to the full extent of the law.

Road Overseers will not work any more days on their roads than the court allowed them, except by special permission of the court.

Under section 43, Road Laws, 1883, the County Court has drawn warrants on the several road funds, as contemplated by said section, and the warrants are in this office, and will be paid to the several Overseers upon their presentation to the County Treasurer.

G. B. NALL, County Clerk.

Hack Line Between Iron Mt. and Farmington.

The undersigned has started a hack line between the above points. Will leave Iron Mountain every Saturday morning at 6:30 o'clock, and return to the Mountain the same day, leaving Farmington at 3:30 in the afternoon. Single fare 75 cents; round trip \$1.25. No extra charge to and from Middlebrook. Parties desiring to make the trip any day except the regular trip may do so by accompanying the regular trip by notifying the undersigned at Middlebrook, by postal card, or otherwise. Packages, trunks, etc., delivered at any time at reasonable rates.

CHR. OESTERLE.

NOTICE.  
My bound boy, Jackson B. Sizemore, has run away from me, and this is to notify all persons not to harbor or trade with him; if they do they must risk the consequences.

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Men's All-Wool Cassimer Suits, at \$6.00.

Men's Im. French Suits, at \$3.50.

Youths' Wool Mixed Pants—good sizes—at 90.

A large lot of Men's (odd) Coats—English Diagonal and Fine Cassimeres—from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Some of these coats were made to order for \$20.00.

We have a few more of those Boys' Fine Blue and Black All-Wool Broad-cloth Coats and Vests, which we will close out at \$2.00.

One hundred Fine Manilla Straw Hats—St. Louis price \$2.50; we will sell them at 75 cents.

Also, 100 fine assorted Straw Hats—cost from \$1.00 to \$1.50—40c. each.

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We are closing out a lot of Misses' French Kid S. L. Shoes—warranted all leather—sizes to 13—at \$1.00 a pair.

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Children's Solid Calf Shoes, pegged, at 35 cents a pair.

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OFFICERS OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF PUBLIC PRINTING  
JEFFERSON CITY, May 28th, 1883.

Sealed proposals will be received by the Commissioners of Public Printing at the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, until 12 o'clock a. m. on Saturday, June 30th, 1883, for furnishing the following specified quantity of paper for the State printing, and for furnishing the following articles of stationery for both branches of the General Assembly, Adjutant-General's office, and for each and all of the Executive Departments, and so much more of like quality of paper and articles of stationery at the same rates as may be required for said purpose and ordered by said Commissioners, for the term of one year, from and after the first day of July, 1883:

200 Reams Book Paper, 25x38, 60 lbs. per ream.  
25 Reams Demy, 28 lbs. per ream.  
50 " Flat Cap, 18 lbs. per ream.  
25 " Double Flat Cap, 36 lbs. per ream.  
35 Reams Legal Cap, 18 lbs. per ream.  
25 " " 16 lbs. per ream.  
25 " Manilla Wrapping Paper, 36 lbs. per ream.  
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10 M Envelopes (printed), No. 2.  
10 M " " " No. 4 1/2.  
10 M Envelopes, White, No. 2.  
10 M " " " No. 4 1/2.  
10 Gross Faber's, Hexagon, No. 2 Pencils.  
2 " " " Red and Blue Pencils.  
10 Gross Dixon's Lead Pencils.  
2 " " " Faber's Combined Ink and Pencil Erasers.  
10 Dozen Bottles Arnold's (genuine) Writing Fluid, quarts.  
5 Dozen Bottles Arnold's (genuine) Copying Ink, quarts.  
10 Gross Steel Pens, Gillott's, Assorted.  
25 " " " Esterbrook's, Assorted.

10 Gross Penholders, common, Assorted.  
10 Dozen Mucilage Fountains, 4 oz., common.

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Each proposal must be accompanied by a bond executed in due form by the bidder, with at least two good and sufficient securities, satisfactory to the Commissioners of Public Printing in the penal sum of \$10,000, conditioned for the faithful performance of his or her contract. (See chapter 141, Revised Statutes of 1879.)

MICHAEL K. MC CARTHY,  
Secretary of State.

JOHN WALKER,  
State Auditor.

ROBERT MCULLOCH,  
Register of Lands.

Commissioners of Public Printing.

School Fund Mortgage Sale.

Whereas, John Hill, by his certain School Fund Mortgage deed, dated the 9th day of March, A. D. 1881, which said mortgage was duly recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for Iron county, Missouri, on the 9th day of March, 1881, in Book "27," at pages 113 and 114, conveyed to Iron county, Missouri, for the use and benefit of the Capital School Fund of said county (therein more particularly described and set forth) the following described real estate, lying and being in said Iron county, State of Missouri, described as follows, to wit:

All of lot number two (2) in block number forty-three (43) in the city of Iron, county of Iron, and State of Missouri, as the same appears from the plat of said city of Ironton on file in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for Iron county, State of Missouri.

Which conveyance was made to secure the payment of seven hundred dollars belonging to the Capital School Fund of said county as follows, to wit:

To township 31, range 4 east, 25x16 1/2; to township 32, range 4 east, 25x16 1/2; to township 34, range 4 east, 25x16 1/2; total, \$700.00; for which said amount the said John Hill, as principal, with John W. Whitworth and H. M. Bradley, as securities, executed their bond for the sum of \$700.00, of even date with said mortgage, bearing date the 9th day of March, 1882, and payable on the 9th day of March, 1883; which said bond has become due and remains unpaid.

And, whereas, among other things it is provided in said deed of mortgage that if default should be made in the payment of the principal or interest, or any part thereof, at the time when the same should severally become due and payable according to the tenor and effect of said bond, then the acting Sheriff of Iron county, Mo., should have power without suit on said deed of mortgage to proceed and sell said property conveyed and mortgaged in said deed;

And, whereas, default has been made in the payment of said bond in said deed of mortgage described, by both principal and sureties; Now, therefore, in accordance with the provisions of said deed of mortgage and the request of John Hill, principal, and H. M. Bradley, one of the securities, and in obedience to an order of the Honorable County Court of Iron county, Missouri, made at its June Term, 1883, I, Wm. A. Fletcher, Sheriff of said county of Iron, State of Missouri, will, on

Saturday, July 7th, 1883,

at the east front door of the Court House in the city of Ironton, county aforesaid, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m. of that day, sell at public vendue, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, the above described real estate, to satisfy said bond and mortgage and the cost hereon.

WM. A. FLETCHER, Sheriff of Iron county, Mo.

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